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In re Application of Petkovich et al.
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the decision mailed October 12, 2004.

The issue fee for this application, due by September 30, 2004, was paid August 16, 2004. Applicant hereby petitions to have the application withdrawn from issue.

The following items are enclosed:

1. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) application.
2. Fee Transmittal form.

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